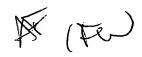


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In response to the final Office Action dated September 19, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Amendment includes amendments to the specification, a claim set as amended and remarks.